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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated April 4, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 22 with the following:

--The present invention provides an apparatus, method and computer-readable medium for converting digital signals for a color image into high quality error-free expanded color space color images. A normalized RGB color space is defined for color values from 0 to 1. An expanded RGB or an expanded RGBA or expanded sRGB or an expanded sRGBA color space is defined herein to include color values below 0 and/or greater than 1. By extending the color space, the present invention eliminates the need for users to "clamp" color information into the predetermined range than are needed to fully describe the color. For example, where color data